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2011 Idaho Barley Varieties

Conrad (B5057) remains Idaho's leading malt variety for 2011. Conrad (B5057) accounted for 21.8 percent of all barley planted and 28.8 percent of the total malting variety acres. The leading feed variety was Baronesse, accounting for 7.9 percent of all barley planted. Baronesse accounted for 32.3 percent of the feed/food variety acres.

Malting Varieties: Malting varieties accounted for 75.5 percent of all barley acres in 2011, up 1.8 percentage points from last year. The leading malting variety was Conrad (B5057) accounting for 21.8 percent of all barley acres, up 1.3 percentage points from last year. The second largest malting variety was AC Metcalfe with 16.8 percent of the acreage. Moravian 69 (C69) was third with 10.7 percent, Merit 57 (B2657) was fourth with 4.8 percent and Harrington was fifth with 4.4 percent of all barley acres.

Feed/Food Varieties: Feed/Food varieties accounted for 24.5 percent of all barley acres in 2011, down 1.8 percentage points from last year's 26.3 percent. Baronesse continues to be the leading feed variety, accounting for 7.9 percent of all barley acres, down 1.7 percentage points from a year ago. Champion is the second largest feed variety with 3.7 percent of the barley acreage followed by Criton with 3.0 percent of the acres. Medallion is fourth with 0.8 percent and Xena is the fifth largest feed variety with 0.8 percent of all barley acres planted.

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